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MILL CREEK METROPARKS

May

2018 PROGRAMS & EVENTS



# May Special Events

Take a look inside the MetroParks Calendar for a wide variety of programs.



## National Public Gardens Day

5/12 | 10 am - 5 pm  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*

Celebrate your local public garden, Fellows Riverside Gardens, with opportunities that include: the Spring Plant Sale from 10 am – 3 pm, Guided Garden Tours at 11 am and 2 pm, and a 10% discount in the Shop in the Gardens.



## MOTHER'S DAY — BRUNCH —

**FELLOWS RIVERSIDE GARDENS - ROSSI AUDITORIUM**  
**5/13 | 11 AM OR 2 PM**

Fellows Riverside Gardens will be hosting a Mother's Day Brunch by Inspired Catering. Reservations are required. Contact Kravitz's Garden Cafe at 330.779.8201 for more information and for reservations.



## TAKE-A-HIKE

@MILLCREEKMETROPARKS  
#TAKEAHIKEMCMP

**5/1 - 10/31**  
**Various MCMP Locations**

Take a hike and participate in this fun new hiking challenge right here in Mill Creek MetroParks! Enjoy fun healthy recreation while exploring all the wonderful places the park is working hard to preserve. Call Ford Nature Center or visit [millcreekmetroparks.org](http://millcreekmetroparks.org) to find out how to get started today!



## Kids to Parks Day

5/19 | 10 am - 6:30 pm

Kids to Parks Day is a nationwide celebration of the great outdoors organized by National Park Trust and is designed to connect kids and families with parks.

- Kids to Parks Day: Fun at the Farm  
MetroParks Farm | 10 am - 1 pm
- Kids to Parks Day: Gettin' Crafty  
Ford Nature Center | Noon - 3 pm
- Kids to Park Day Hike  
MetroParks Farm - Bikeway Trailhead | 1 - 3 pm
- Family Fun Saturday Golf  
Mill Creek Golf Course | 5 - 6:30 pm

## Upcoming Sports Camps & Clinics

Visit [millcreekmetroparks.org](http://millcreekmetroparks.org) for details

Drive, Chip & Putt Prep Clinic Series | Ages 7-15 | 5/8, 5/15, 5/22, 6/5 | Call GC for details.

Get Golf Ready Junior Classes | Ages 5-15 | 5/20, 5/27; 6/12, 6/26; 7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31; 8/7,8/14 | Call GC for details.

Volleyball Clinic | Ages 8-13 | 6/4, 6/5, 6/6, 6/7 | Call FNC for details.

Mill Creek Youth Recreational & Sports Camp | Ages 6-15 | 6/13 - 6/15 | Call GC for details.

Soccer Clinic | Ages 8-12 | 6/18, 6/19, 6/20, 6/21 | Call FNC for details.

Batting Clinic | Ages 7-16 | 6/26, 6/27 | Call FNC for details.

Mill Creek Activity Sampler | Ages 7-12 | 7/9 - 7/13 | 10 am - 3 pm | Call FNC for details.

Receive notices of MetroParks events by email! Sign up for our mailing list at [millcreekmetroparks.org](http://millcreekmetroparks.org)



## Trolley Tours

**MILL CREEK TROLLEY TOURS \$ ♦ ■**  
*Boards at Ford Nature Center*  
**5/3, 5/10, 5/15, 5/24, 5/29** | 2 - 3 pm, or 3:15 - 4:15 pm;  
**5/6, 5/20** | 12:45 - 1:45 pm, 2 - 3 pm, or 3:15 - 4:15 pm  
Enjoy views of historic Mill Creek Park while riding the trolley. Limited seating. Register/pay at least 2 days ahead at FNC. Adults: \$7 R, \$10 NR; Seniors/youth: \$5 R, \$8 NR.

**SPRING FLING IN THE PARK \$ ♦**  
*Boards at Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/23** | 11 am - 2 pm  
Enjoy a Spring trolley ride through Mill Creek Park on the Cohasset Express. Picnic lunch included. Register/pay at FNC by 5/21. Adults: \$21 R; \$23 NR. Seniors/youth: \$19 R; \$22 NR.

## For the Birds

**BIRDING THE SANCTUARY ♦**  
*Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary*  
**5/19** | 8 – 9:30 am  
Join Jeff Harvey to look and listen for the birds of spring at Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary. Space is limited. Boots required. Register at FNC by 5/17. Moderate, 1.25 mi.

## Express Yourself

**MOTHER'S DAY CENTERPIECE \$ ♦**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/8** | 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Marie Borocz will help you surprise Mom with this fresh centerpiece made with "LOVE". Register/pay by 5/6. \$34; FFRG \$28

## Plant Sale

**SPRING PLANT SALE**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/11** | 10 am - 6 pm  
**5/12** | 10 am - 3 pm  
Unique, high quality plants for the home garden will be available at this Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens Plant Sale, along with advice and gardening tips from experts.

## This & That

**LET'S DANCE \$**  
*MetroParks Farm-McMahon Hall*  
**5/1** | 6 - 9 pm  
Enjoy a variety of social dances. 30 min. dance lesson with Lynda McPhail at 6 pm. \$6/person at the door.

**ADAPTED TENNIS ♦**  
*Volney Rogers Tennis Court*  
**5/1, 5/3, 5/8, 5/10, 5/15, 5/17, 5/22, 5/24, 5/29, 5/31** | 6 - 7:30 pm  
Learn wheelchair tennis basics; hosted by ASPO. Equipment provided. All ages with a permanent disability welcome. Call FNC to register and for more details.

**PHOTO CLIQUE: Spring Bloom Photo Critique**  
*Ford Nature Center*  
**5/9** | 7 - 9 pm  
Join the Mill Creek Photo Clique for a group photo critique of your favorite spring bloom shots. Bring one or two photos to critique. Call FNC for more details.

**PHOTO CLIQUE: I-Phone Nature Photography Workshop \$ ♦**  
*Yellow Creek Park*  
**5/12** | 8:30 am – 4 pm and **5/19** | 1 - 4 pm  
Join noted Ohio photographer Ian Adams to learn how to take nature photographs with your smartphone. Includes 5/12 morning workshop and afternoon photo shoot and 5/19 critique session. On 5/12 - bring a lunch; drinks & snacks provided. Register/pay at FNC by 5/10. \$30 members, \$45 non-members.

**METROMUTTS: Dog Gone Art \$ ♦**  
*MetroParks Farm - Bam #4*  
**5/12** | 11 am - Noon  
Our dogs leave paw prints on our hearts. Bring your furry friend to make a one-of-a-kind paw print stepping stone. MetroMutts members \$3, not-yet-members \$7. Register/ pay at FNC by 5/5.

**A GIFT OF A GARDEN**  
*Lanterman's Mill*  
**5/19** | 2 - 3 pm  
Learn about Elizabeth Fellows gift to Mill Creek as Fellows Riverside Gardens celebrates its 60th anniversary. Drop-in.

**TRAVELING NATURALIST: Wild Babies**  
*Lily Pond*  
**5/20** | 1 - 3 pm  
Spring is the time for baby wildlife. Learn how to observe them from a distance, but also to ensure that these babies stay safe and wild. Call FNC for details.

**METROMUTTS: Canine Cascades Hike**  
*Scholl Recreation Area*  
**5/25** | 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Enjoy beautiful sights and sounds, plus two waterfalls, as we hike along Cascade Run and Mill Creek Gorge. Moderate, 3 mi.

**Program Key**  
\$ Fee charged for this program  
♦ Registration Required  
■ Add'l fee after deadline  
G Guardian/adult must accompany child  
R = Mahoning County Resident  
NR = Non-Resident  
FFRG = Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens

## Horticulture

**MEN'S GARDEN CLUB TALK**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/2** | 7 - 8 pm  
The Men's Garden Club of Youngstown invites you to attend their general meeting. Drop-in.

**HERB GARDENING \$ ♦**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/12** | 10 - 11:30 am  
Join Pam Baytos to learn all about growing herbs, from annuals to perennials, in your garden. Register/pay by 5/10. \$10

**FLOWERING CONTAINER \$ ♦**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/15** | 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Create a flowering container showpiece for your porch or patio with Judy Stanislaw. Register/pay by 5/13. \$34; \$28 FFRG

**BOTANICAL MORNINGS \$ ♦**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/25** | 9 - 10 am  
Discover the progress of seasons here at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Register/pay by 5/23. \$5

## Healthy Living

**YOGA IN THE GARDENS \$**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/1, 5/3, 5/8, 5/10, 5/15, 5/17, 5/22, 5/24, 5/29, 5/31** | 9:30 – 11 am  
Enjoy yoga with Marina Perdos that will help you keep a healthy outlook. Bring a mat and small blanket. Drop-in. \$12/class

**T'AI CHI STEP ONE IN THE GARDENS \$**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30** | Noon – 1 pm  
Warm-ups, breathing exercises and movements with Marie Lew will ease stress, improve health, and increase vitality. Drop-in. \$10/class

**FRAGRANT FRIDAYS: Skincare Wellness \$ ♦**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/4** | 1 - 2:30 pm  
Learn about the power of skin nourishing and supportive essential oils with Marina Perdos. Bring pen and paper. Register/pay by 5/1. \$20 R; \$22 NR

**YOGA BASICS COURSE \$ ♦**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/6 - 6/24** | Sundays, 9 - 10 am or  
**5/8 - 6/26** | Tuesdays, 6 - 7 pm  
Choose Sunday mornings or Tuesday evenings for this relaxing eight-week yoga course with Karres Cvetkovich. \$80; 10% discount (\$72) if registered by 4/30.

**SOUND BATH EXPERIENCE \$ ♦**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/8** | 6 – 7 pm  
Ages 13+. Enjoy a meditative experience with vibrations of gongs and crystal singing bowls led by Maria and Calvin Wagner. Register/pay by 4 pm on 5/8. Space is limited. \$25

## Cuisine

**BEGINNER COOKIE DECORATING: Cinco de Mayo \$ ♦**  
*MetroParks Farm*  
**5/5** | 11 am - 1 pm  
Hands-on. Adults & ages 10+ with paid adult. Learn decorating techniques to create a set of colorful cookies to take home with Cindy Velt. Register/pay at FRG by 5/2. \$36 R; \$40 NR

**LAID BACK COOKING: Strudels Revisited \$ ♦**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens*  
**5/22** | 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Hands-on. Build upon your strudel skills from March, to learn more with Jack Kravitz. Register/pay by 5/19. \$19; FFRG \$17

## Exhibits

**FLORALS FROM THE BUTLER**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens – Weller Gallery*  
**Through 6/17** | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm  
An amazing array of floral paintings from the Butler Institute of Art will be on display that are part of the Butler permanent collection.

**A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens – Weller Gallery*  
**5/11 through December** | dawn to dusk  
Local topiary artist, Mike Gibson creatively transforms trees and shrubs into whimsical living sculptures to be displayed in the Outdoor Gallery.

**MILL CREEK METROPARKS HISTORY**  
*Fellows Riverside Gardens – Melnick Museum*  
**Ongoing** | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm  
The Melnick Museum offers the visitor a peek into the unique history of Mill Creek MetroParks.

## Kids & Teens

**I SPY HIKING CLUB: Animals \$ ♦**  
*Lily Pond*  
**5/6** | 2 - 3 pm  
Ages 6+. I spy with my little eye someone looking for adventure and tons of fun - and that's you! Explore the trails of Mill Creek MetroParks with a Naturalist, in our newest children's hiking series inspired by the *I Spy* books. Register/pay at FNC by 5/4. \$4/class

**CHILDREN'S NATURE HOUR: Animals in Spring \$ ♦ G**  
*Birch Hill Cabin*  
**5/10** | 10 – 11 am  
Ages 3-5, plus adult. It's Spring! Let's find out what animals are up to this time of year. Register/pay at FNC by 5/8. \$4 R; \$6 NR.

**WHERE DOES CHOCOLATE COME FROM? \$ ♦**  
*MetroParks Farm*  
**5/15** | 4 - 6 pm  
Ages 7-10. We will look at where chocolate comes from on National Chocolate Chip Day. Join the celebration by making chocolate chip cookies. Space is limited. Register by 5/13. \$3, cash only.

**TALES FOR TOTS: The Listening Walk \$ ♦ G**  
*Bears Den Cabin*  
**5/18** | 10 - 11 am  
Ages 2-3, plus adult. Join us as we read The Listening Walk and then go on a listening walk of our own. Register/ pay at FNC by 5/16. \$4 R; \$6 NR

**TROT WITH YOUR TOT!**  
*Scholl Recreation Area*  
**5/15, 5/26** | 10 - 11 am  
Bring your little ones to explore and play in the park. Take a short guided hike to Cascade Falls to see wildflowers in bloom, rock formations, and the waterfall! No strollers. Moderate, 1 mi.

## Hikes & Walks

*Call FNC for details.*  
**RECREATIONAL HIKES**  
**5/2** | 9 - 10 am  
Meet at East Newport Dr. Boat Launch Parking Lot. Moderate, 1 or 3 mi.  
**5/16** | 9 – 10 am  
Meet at MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead at MetroParks Farm. Easy, 2 or 4 mi.  
**5/30** | 9 – 10 am  
Meet at Ford Nature Center. Moderate, 2 or 4 mi.

**MIDWEEK RELAX HIKE**  
*Hitchcock Woods*  
**5/9** | 5:30 - 7 pm  
Stroll through the woods to relax and take in the sights and sounds of nature. Moderate, 1.5 mi.

**KIDS TO PARK DAY HIKE**  
*MetroParks Farm - Bikeway Trailhead*  
**5/19** | 1 - 3 pm  
Come out and celebrate Kids to Parks Day by taking a hike on the beautiful Mindy Henning Memorial Trail. Watch out for mud! Boots are recommended. Moderate, 2.5 mi.

**WARBLER WALK**  
*Mill Creek Preserve*  
**5/20** | 9 - 11 am  
The warblers are back! Join this Spring hike as we will look for our beautiful returning migrants. Moderate, 1.5 mi.

**HOPPIN' GOOD TIME**  
*Vickers Nature Preserve*  
**5/25** | 8:30 - 10 pm  
Join in and have a hoppin' good time in the wetlands at Vickers Nature Preserve. Boots required. Easy, 1 mi.

## Family Fun

**TRACTOR-WAGON RIDES**  
*MetroParks Farm*  
**5/6, 5/20** | 1 – 4 pm  
Bring the family for a guided tractor wagon tour of the farm leaving approximately every ½ hour. Barns are open to visit the animals. Donations accepted. Craft fee \$1; cash only.

**HUMMINGBIRD WORKSHOP**  
*Ford Nature Center*  
**5/13** | 1 - 4 pm  
Drop by and learn how you can help these flying jewels and make your very own hummingbird feeder to take home, while supplies last. Call FNC for details.

**KIDS TO PARKS DAY: Fun at the Farm**  
*MetroParks Farm*  
**5/19** | 10 am - 1 pm  
Come explore the MetroParks Farm with a scavenger hunt activity. Adults can search for answers to our "Test Your AG IQ." Call MPF for details.

**KIDS TO PARKS DAY: Gettin' Crafty**  
*Ford Nature Center*  
**5/19** | Noon - 3 pm  
Stop by during a fun family day in the park to make a fun craft! Get a chance to experience the park as a family with a craft to remember it by. Call FNC for details.

## Golf

**LADIES GOLF SCHOOL (LEVEL #1) \$ ♦**  
*Mill Creek Golf Course Practice Facility & Putting Green*  
**5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24** | 6 – 7 pm  
Designed to give ladies of all abilities: beginner, intermediate and advanced players an overview of the basic fundamentals of the game of golf. Sign-ups are available in the Mill Creek Fieldhouse or by calling the GC. \$99.99/Lady.

**WICK PAR-3 COURSE JUNIOR CLINIC**  
*Wick Recreation Par-3 Course*  
**5/5** | Boys 7:15 – 8 am; Girls 9:15 – 10 am  
A golf instruction clinic series open to all juniors and junior golf league members who participate at the Wick Recreation Par-3 Course. Free.

**DRIVE, CHIP & PUTT PREP LESSON SERIES \$ ♦**  
*Mill Creek Golf Course Practice Facility & Putting Green*  
**5/8, 5/15, 5/22, & 6/5** | 5 – 6 pm  
The series is designed to prepare junior golfers for the regional, sub-regional and national qualifiers of the Drive, Chip & Putt Championship at the Augusta National Golf Club. Sign-ups are available in the Mill Creek Fieldhouse or by calling the GC. \$29.99/Junior.

**GET READY GOLF CLINIC ADULT SERIES \$ ♦**  
*Mill Creek Golf Course Practice Facility*  
**5/9, 5/23** | 6 – 7 pm  
A golf instructional program for players over the age of 18 and open for all ability levels. This program is designed to teach the basics about golf and the etiquette of the game. Sign-ups are available in the Mill Creek Fieldhouse or by calling the GC. \$15/Adult.

**MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND GOLF SHOP SALE**  
*Mill Creek Golf Shop*  
**5/11, 5/12, 5/13** | 8 am – 7 pm  
For a limited time only, the Mill Creek Golf Shop will be offering great deals on merchandise for all those golfing moms.

**WICK PAR-3 COURSE SENIOR CLINIC SERIES \$ ♦**  
*Wick Par-3 Golf Course*  
**5/16, 5/23, 5/30** | 9 – 10 am  
This monthly series will focus on making the game more enjoyable and fun for senior golfers. Register by calling the WRA. \$29.99/Senior.

**GET READY GOLF CLINIC JUNIOR SERIES \$ ♦**  
*Mill Creek Golf Course Practice Facility*  
**5/20, 5/27** | 10:30 am - 11:30 am  
This program is designed to enhance the skills of junior golfers by teaching them the basic fundamentals and proper etiquette of the game of golf. Sign-ups are available in the Mill Creek Fieldhouse or by calling the GC. \$15/Junior.

**MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND GOLF SHOP SALE**  
*Mill Creek Golf Course Pro Shop*  
**5/25, 5/26, 5/28, 5/29** | 9 am – 7 pm  
Special savings on golf balls, clothing and accessories that promote the USA.

**FAMILY FUN SATURDAY GOLF \$ ♦**  
*Mill Creek Golf Course*  
**5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26** | Tee time start - 5 pm  
Bring the family to the course and experience the game of golf at a great family rate. Tee Times required and available in the Mill Creek Fieldhouse or by calling the GC. \$25/Family of 4.

**AJGA LOCAL QUALIFIER TOURNAMENT \$ ♦**  
*Mill Creek Golf Course (South Course)*  
**5/26** | Tee time start – 1 pm  
Open to kids ages 5 to 16. The PGA staff will focus on the short game - chipping & putting. Sign-ups are available in the Mill Creek Fieldhouse or by calling the GC. \$99/junior

## Summer Camp

**PARK PALS: Junior Adventurers \$ ♦**  
*Various MCMP Locations*  
**6/11 - 6/15** | 9 am - 1 pm  
Ages 5-6. Each day is a new adventure as we explore different habitats and discover the animals that live there. Hikes, games, crafts, and stories are all part of the fun. Register/pay at FRG by 5/28. \$80 R; \$92 NR

**EXPLORERS: Around the Park \$ ♦**  
*Various MCMP Locations*  
**6/18 - 6/22** | 9 am - 4 pm  
Ages 7-9. Explore many of the different areas that our MetroParks has to offer! Games, hikes, sports, and activities are all part of the fun. Each day has different drop-off or pick-up locations. Register/pay at FRG by 6/4. \$126 R; \$140 NR

## Kayak

**FIRST KAYAK OF 2018 \$ ♦**  
*East Newport Boat Launch*  
**5/26** | 10 am - Noon  
Enjoy a spring paddle around scenic Lake Newport and Wetlands. Age and experience restrictions may apply. Register/pay at FNC by 5/24. \$12 R, \$15 NR